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(g) *Servicing office.* The State, District, or County Office responsible for immediate servicing functions for the borrower or grantee.

(h) *Transfer fee.* A one-time non-refundable application fee, charged to ineligible applicants for FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 services rendered in the processing of a transfer and assumption.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 69 FR 70884, Dec. 8, 2004, §1951.203 was amended by revising paragraph (a), effective Jan. 7, 2005. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

§ 1951.203 Definitions.

(a) *Approval official.* An official who has been delegated loan and/or grant approval authorities within applicable programs.

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§ 1951.204 Nondiscrimination.

Each instrument of conveyance required for a transfer, assumption, or other servicing action under this subpart will contain the following covenant.

The property described herein was obtained or improved with Federal financial assistance and is subject to the nondiscrimination provisions of title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and other similarly worded Federal statutes, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, handicap, religion, age, or sex in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. Such provisions apply for as long as the property continues to be used for the same or similar purposes for which the Federal assistance was extended, for so long as the purchaser owns it, whichever is later.

§ 1951.205 Redelegation of authority.

Servicing functions under this subpart which are specifically assigned to the State Director may be redelegated in writing to an appropriate sufficiently trained designee.

§ 1951.206 Forms.

Forms utilized for actions under this subpart are to be modified appropriately where necessary to adapt the forms for use by corporate recipients rather than individuals.

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§ 1951.207 State supplements.

State supplements developed to carry out the provisions of this subpart will be prepared in accordance with subpart B of part 2006 of this chapter (available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office) and applicable State laws and regulations. State supplements are to be used only when required by National Instructions or necessary to clarify the impact of State laws or regulations, and not to restate the provisions of National Instructions. Advice and guidance will be obtained as needed from the Office of the General Counsel (OGC).

§§ 1951.208–1951.209 [Reserved]

§ 1951.210 Environmental requirements.

Servicing activities such as transfers, assumptions, subordinations, sale or exchange of security property, and leasing of security will be reviewed for compliance with subpart G of part 1940 of this chapter. The appropriate environmental review will be completed prior to approval of the servicing action. When National Office approval is required, the completed environmental review will be included with other information submitted.

§ 1951.211 Refinancing requirements.

In accordance with the CONACT, FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 requires for most loans covered by this subpart that if at any time it shall appear to the Government that the borrower is able to refinance the amount of the indebtedness then outstanding, in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, the borrower will, upon request of the Government, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government and will take all such actions as may be required in connection with such loan. Applicable requirements are set forth in subpart F of part 1951 of this chapter. A civil rights impact analysis is required.

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